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The communication filed on 7-2-02 is not fully responsive to the communication mailed **2-26-02** for the reason(s) set forth below.

Specifically the peptide DM2* as recited in claim 9 has no SEQ ID NO. In a thorough review of the specification it is clear this is an exact amino acid sequence, not a genus of peptides, as such a SEQ ID NO., needs to be recited along side the peptide.

If a complete response has not been submitted by the time the shortened statutory period for response set in the communication mailed 2-26-02 has expired, this application will become abandoned unless applicant corrects the deficiency and obtains an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136. In no case may an applicant extend the period for response beyond the six month statutory period.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner **Patrick J. Nolan**, Art Unit **1644**, whose telephone number is **703-305-1987**.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Technology Center receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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